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## WEST DEER TOWNSHIP County of Allegheny Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

## **ORDINANCE NO. 455**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEER, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE GENERAL MILLAGE RATE FOR THE 2024 TAX YEAR AT 2.90 MILLS, AND THE FIRE TAX RATE FOR THE 2024 TAX YEAR AT 0.50 MILLS

WHEREAS, Section C-1197 (Tax Limitation) of the West Deer Township Charter states "the taxes on real estate shall be limited to twelve (12) mills of the Township's assessed value, which may include a Fire Tax in an amount not to exceed one-half (0.5) mills"; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax levied in 2023 was 2.99 mills; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Tax levied in 2023 was \$40.00 per household and \$100.00 per business; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors desires to reduce the General Property Tax from 2.99 mills in 2023 to 2.90 mills in 2024 to provide tax relief to the residents given the Township's current fiscal health and anticipated growth; and

**WHEREAS**, the voters of West Deer Township – through a referendum passed on 7 November 2023 – expressed a desire to permit an increased Fire Tax of up to 0.50 mills to fund fire protection services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Board of Supervisors of West Deer Township, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the aforesaid, as follows:

That the General Property Tax for 2024 be levied at 2.90 mills, or twenty-nine cents (\$0.29) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation of taxable property; and

That the Fire Tax for 2024 be levied at 0.50 mills, or five cents (\$0.05) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation of taxable property.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

ATTEST:

WEST DEER TOWNSHIP

Daniel J. Mator, Jr. Township Manager

Beverly S. Jordan, Chairperson

Board of Supervisors

## **CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing and attached is a true copy of an Ordinance which was duly enacted at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Deer Township on 20 December 2023, and that at such meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout, after due notice to the members of the Board of Supervisors of West Deer Township and to the public and such meeting was at all times open to the public; that the Ordinance was duly recorded in the West Deer Township Minutes Book and that a summary thereof was published as required by law in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. I further certify that the Township met the advance requirements of Act No. 1998-93 by advertising the date of the meeting and posting a notice of the meeting at the public meeting place of the Board of Supervisors; that the total number of members of the Board of Supervisors is five; and the vote upon the Ordinance was called and duly recorded upon the minutes and that the members voted in the following manner:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Beverly S. Jordan, Chairperson	×			
Shirley A. Hollibaugh, Vice Chair	×			
Vernon Frey	×			
David Harrison	X			
James Smullin	X			

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Township on this this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.

[SEAL]

By:

Daniel Mator

Township Manager